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FOUR TRAINMEN KILLED IN WRECK

CHRISTMAS "SPIRIT" DRIES UP ON BROADWAY

DISTRICT ATTORNEY WARNS NIGHT CLUBS IN SERIES OF RAIDS

Many Cabarets Will Be Padlocked Soon Says Buckner

New York, Dec. 24.—Broadway's stocking (silk of course) was filled with government Christmas presents today.

Forty-one summonses charging violation of the liquor laws had been left over-night by a Santa Claus who closely resembled Emory R. Buckner, U. S. District Attorney at 41 supper clubs and cafes.

With each was a credit card on which it was more or less agreeably stated that the gift could and probably would be exchanged for a pad-lock within twenty days.

It is authoritatively learned that each present was not inscribed with the following Yule tide message:

"Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year—Emory."

But such a message might well have been given. For as astute statisticians have figured, 20 days from December 23 is January 12 and Christmas eve and New Year's eve are sandwiched in between these two dates.

In the meantime, federal agents will make no attempts to close the gilded cabarets, restaurants, supper clubs and "speak easies."

Last night's visits by the men of Buckner constituted the largest single drive since the federal attorney introduced the padlock into prohibition enforcement.

Some of the night clubs soon to be made arid have blossomed forth on the same spot where another night club recently was padlocked.

This was the case with the Club Kentucky, a luxuriously furnished cabaret which began operation after the Club Hollywood, a previous tenant had been forced out of business.

Among the better known resorts to arouse the interest of Buckner were the Maxine-Supper Club, equipped with a dozen "hostesses;" the White Horse Tavern, whose exterior architecture is that of an old English Inn; the Chumby Club, which boasts it has not had an empty table in months and the Texas Tommy, reported to be managed by Tommy Guinan, brother of Texas Guinan, who recently held high revel as hostess of the Del Fay Club.

Two of the clubs, "The Cozy Step Inn" and "Hop Up," have the same address. One is on the second floor of the Madison Avenue building and the other is on the third floor.

The "Hop Up" opened only last Saturday. An announcement was issued which described in detail the blissful brass rail of the bars of pre-Volstead days.

"Free lunch 'n' everything," was advertised.

"Breakfast? Ugh, no!" protested Broadway when it had examined its presents. "Just bring me a pitcher of water, a towel and some ice."

The bridge, valued at \$15,000 was destroyed.

ROAST TURKEY OR MULLIGAN?

Nickel or \$8 Will Satisfy Appetite Christmas

New York, Dec. 24.—From the standpoint of getting filled to the brim with food it doesn't make much difference on Christmas Day whether you're broke or plutocratic.

For instance here's what you can get for a nickel, at one of "Mr. Zero's Tubs."

Vegetable Soup.

Turkey Mulligan.

Cranberries.

Whole wheat, white raisin and rye bread.

Cakes, doughnuts, pies.

Coffee.

Fruit and hard candy.

And here's what you can get for \$8 at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel:

Canape of Caviar.

Clear green turtle soup.

Salted Almonds, celery, ripe olives.

Roast Turkey, chestnut stuffing.

Brussel sprouts and sweet potatoes.

Dixie.

Waldorf Salad.

Plum pudding, hard sauce and assorted cakes.

Coffee.

Eugene, the chef at the Waldorf, explained to the United Press how the turkey and stuffing should be prepared.

"Selected a nice fourteen pound bird," said Eugene. "Wash and clean well. Stuff; truss the bird and set in a moderate oven. Cook slowly until tender. The stuffing is made by opening the shells of 2 1/4 pounds of chestnuts, immersing them for a few seconds in smoking fat; peeling them and almost completely cooking them in consomme. Then mix them with two pounds of very finely chopped pork rubbed through a 'tammy.'

Mike, the poetic cook at the "Tub" also explained, but less explicitly how the "turkey mulligan" piece de resistance of Bowery meals, was made:

"Yuh take you some turkey and meat an' whatever else yuh happen to have," said Mike. "An' let 'er cook. That's all they is to it."

RAILROAD BRIDGE DESTROYED BY FIRE

New Lexington, O., Dec. 24.—Traffic on the Shawnee branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad was tied up today while workmen rushed construction of a new bridge, two miles south of Junction City to replace one destroyed by fire.

The bridge was discovered ablaze by farmers several hours after the last regular train of the day had passed over it. Railway officials were inclined to the belief that train wreckers were responsible for the fire, although there was nothing to substantiate this.

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AUTHOR DIES

Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Alice Harriman, author of "The Man of Two Countries" and widely known as a magazine writer and publisher, died of pneumonia at her home here today after a brief illness.

Mrs. Harriman was born in Newport, Maine, March 12, 1861. She was head of the Alice Harriman Company, book publishers with offices at Seattle and New York City.

KILLED BY BLAST

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 24.—John Struthers, a hortler, was killed today when a Norfolk and Western locomotive exploded here. Struthers was hurled 150 feet.

The boiler was blown from the engine and plowed a hole in the ground 50 feet away.

Santa Claus Lives Forever Says Famous Letter

"Is there a Santa Claus?"

Thus wrote little Virginia O'Hanlon twenty-five years ago to the New York Sun.

If Virginia O'Hanlon still lives she is probably reading to her children this Christmas, the answer to her question of long ago as written by Francis P. Church, then a member of Charles A. Dana's staff.

As long as Mr. Dana lived he had Church's letter reprinted annually at Christmas time. It solves the enigma on the lips of youth, answers the cynics of adolescent manhood and womanhood, freshens the hope of the middle-aged and proves the faith in the humanity of the very young.

It is herewith reprinted:

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun.

Dear Editor: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says, "If you see it in The Sun it's so."

Please tell me the truth! Is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the scepticism of a sceptical age. They do not believe except they see the humanity of the very young.

is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little.

In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, is measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus.

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think that nothing can be which

should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!

You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus

The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not,

it would be as dreary as if there were no Virginia. There would be no child there. Nobody can conceive or imagine such a thing, then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the world which the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart.

Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God; he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad

the heart of childhood.

—The New York Sun.

OHIO ENVELOPED IN CHRISTMAS SPIRIT ON EVE OF NATIVITY

Public Wards Benefit As Cheer Is Spread By Charitable

Columbus, O., Dec. 24.—Yule Tide spirit of good fellowship enveloped Ohio today bringing cheer and happiness to the lowest and the elite, to the underprivileged and the fortunate.

Seven million persons, representing the population of the state were expected to benefit in some manner or fashion by the anniversary commemorating the birth of Christ.

Not only the indigent and the rich have benefitted, or will, but the public wards—inmates of prisons, asylums and other institutions—will learn that the magnificence of Saint Nicholas is not a myth.

A million voices—young and old—will carol tidings of the season to night in municipal and religious services.

Today and tomorrow charitable organizations will unlatch their purse strings and dole out more than \$2,000,000 to bring happiness to the poverty stricken.

This morning, according to dispatches received here, found the eleventh hour Christmas buyers storming mercantile establishments and postoffices throughout the state congested to overflowing with gifts yet to be delivered.

Kris Kringle, for thousands, will be in the guise of lodge organizations which will leave behind a trail of food-stuffs and fuel.

Plans for the care of the unfortunate have been prepared in every community on the usual extensive scale.

The demand for Christmas charity, a survey revealed, is about on a par with previous years and pocketbooks for this purpose, have been opened on the usual celerity.

Most of the state today was in the full swing of holiday activity with numerous community trees, forming the basic ground for holiday festivities.

Foremost amongst the organizations aiding in disseminating Yule Tide cheer, were the Elk, Masons, Knights of Columbus and other lodges.

Added to these will be the Salvation Army which, perhaps has fed and clothed more persons and extended more Christmas cheer than any charitable organization in the United States.

Almost every church, with few exceptions, took up collections for the poor and entertained indigent children around Christmas trees.

Santa Claus and his legion of emulators was in evidence everywhere.

Almost every community will have a group of Carol singers. Thousands of these will carry Christmas cheer to the "shut-ins," orphans and inmates of other institutions.

For the first time in several years, state and federal prohibition officers, have not announced stringent measures to suppress the holiday liquor traffic. While vigilance will be maintained, the usual amount of liquid cheer is expected to flow, regardless of measures to halt it.

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Bodies of the miners who were asphyxiated yesterday were trapped on stairway leading to the main shaft, were held in a morgue here this morning pending a mass funeral which probably will be held late this afternoon or tomorrow.

Watson, this morning said the flames had penetrated the mine to a depth of 200 feet, consuming superstructure, equipment and piercing the coal walls.

Eighty men, working in three shifts were combating the flames.

Officials have determined definitely that the blaze was caused when a boulder fell, severing a high-power transmission circuit, the sparks from which ignited the coal gas.

Jerome Watson, chief of the Ohio Bureau of Mines, who is directing the fire fighters, said the flames were confined to the main entry and that unless they were extinguished within the next few hours the mine would be sealed.

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Cleveland, Dec. 24.—Frank Clark, 40, of Marion, Ohio, wanted in connection with the killing of Edward Ward who was shot to death in the home of his estranged wife, walked into police station this morning and surrendered.

Ward, who was killed Wednesday, when he went to his wife's home seeking a reconciliation.

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Eighteen of the seventy-two towns affected by the hike have agreed to aid the project Mouser said.

The fund will be used to employ W. H. Wiss, Cincinnati appraisal engineer to appraise the property of the company and ascertain values believed to be more correct than the company's appraisal.

The cities contributing to the fund included:

Bellevue \$475; Galion \$554; Lorain \$2,180; Chillicothe \$1,075; Circleville \$402; Findlay \$997; Tiffin \$1,053; and Elyria \$1,466.

CHINESE STUDENTS RIOT IN BERLIN

Berlin, Dec. 24.—Chinese students of Berlin rioted in a restaurant following word of the reported capture of Tien Tsin by Gen. Feng Yuh Siang.

Beer glasses, plates and cups were freely used and ten of the rioters who were from the communist and Democratic ranks were injured before the police could intervene.

Home Wife vs. Office Wife

Should a girl who works in an office keep on working there after her marriage, in order to help her husband financially?

Young husbands and wives all over the country are facing this problem today. It is the theme of



VIOLET DARE

The Bread and Butter Wife

the best married life serial ever written

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The characters are the kind of people we all know. Sally Lee, the heroine, is a high class secretary before she marries Tom Porter, a real estate salesman. Her sister, Emily, marries Jack Sawyer at the same time, and gives up her position with a fashionable interior decorator to become a home wife.

VIOLET DARE handles the problem ably and delightfully. Her name is already well known to readers. She is the author of *The Half-Time Wife*, *A Wife on Leave*, *My Matrimonial Vacation*, and many other married life serials that have run in this and other newspapers throughout the country.

THE BREAD AND BUTTER WIFE will run for eight weeks in six daily installments averaging eight hundred and fifty words. It is attractively illustrated by Marguerite Neale.

STARTING IN

The Evening Gazette

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

The Morning Republican

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28

BEGIN WITH THE FIRST INSTALLMENT

Social-Personal-Clubs

THE NICEST courtesy you can show your guests is to have their visit mentioned on this page. The nicest courtesy you can show your friends is to let them learn of your visit through this page whenever you go away. The Gazette and Republican consider it a courtesy whenever you turn in an item of any kind. PHONE 70.

CLUB MEMBERS ARE GUESTS AT XMAS PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Manor entertained the members of the J. F. F. Club with a Christmas party at their home on the Van Eaton Road, Friday evening.

The Manor home was decorated with the prevailing holiday suggestions and a huge glistening Christmas tree was lighted in the living room, loaded with pretty gifts and doilies, presented the guests by Santa Claus.

Two contests were participated in and prizes were won by Mrs. Warren Keiter, Miss Edith Jackson and Mr. Charles Strain. Home-made candy, apples and popcorn balls were served.

Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pennewit, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley McCoy and children; Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClellan and children, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Keiter and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fawcett and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Soward and son, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Strain and son, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lomax and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thompson and son, Mrs. LaFollette, the Misses Edith Jackson, Ruth Farrell, and Thelma Peele, Messrs. Vernon Hampton, Zack Reynolds, Dean Moore, Harold Elbert Manor.

The club will meet next month with Mr. and Mrs. Wiley McCoy, Cincinnati Pike and an interesting program is being arranged.

FIRST U. P. CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY WEDNESDAY

Annual Christmas entertainment of the Bible School, First U. P. Church was held at the church Wednesday evening. On the platform, three elaborately decorated and electrically lighted Christmas trees together with poinsettias, greens and a beautiful star placed high upon the pipe organ combined to make the setting most appropriate.

Following opening numbers by the choir, the White Gift offering was received. Playlets, exercises, recitations and songs by tiny tots and older boys and girls made up a most delightful program of entertainment.

Presently the jingle of sleigh bells announced the arrival of Santa, who appeared heavily loaded with candies and fruits for all.

CHURCH CLASS IS ENTERTAINED BY TEACHER

Mrs. Warren Clouse opened her home on North Detroit Street, Wednesday afternoon to members of her class of the First M. E. Church.

The Clouse home was decked in tinsel and bells with other Christmas touches. Each young girl member of the class brought a gift to the party and exchanged presents about a Christmas tree.

Mrs. Clouse served a dainty refreshment course.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED AT EVENING PARTIES

Miss Bertha Hyman celebrated her birthday with dinner and cards at her home on East Market Street, Wednesday evening. Members of the Hyman family were entertained at dinner and guests arrived for cards later.

Miss Barbara Little won the high score prize. Cards were followed by two course luncheon, with seasonal appointments.

Miss Hyman's guests included:

The Misses Anna Louise Jones, Maude Winn Monroe, Elizabeth Stout, Mary Hamlin, Virginia Heathman, Elizabeth Eckett and Barbara Little.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENTERTAINED BY MRS. ARY

Members of Mrs. John Ary's Sunday School Class were hospitably entertained at her home on North Monroe Street, Thursday afternoon, at a Christmas party.

Twelve young girls attended the party. The Ary home was appointed in Christmas colors with a beautifully decorated tree the main attraction, snow house with Santa Claus centered the dining room table.

Members of the class and their mothers exchanged gifts and enjoyed an informal social time.

ANTA PAYS VISIT TO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. W. A. Galloway enacted the role of Santa Claus, when he appeared to delight children of the First Presbyterian Church at the annual Christmas party at the church Wednesday night.

After the program by the children, Santa distributed candy, oranges and nuts and a general good time followed.

COUNTY WARDS ARE GUESTS AT ENTERTAINMENT

Older boys and girls of the Greene County Children's Home were guests of members of the First Baptist Church, at the annual Christmas party at the church, Wednesday evening.

The church was filled for the program. Santa arrived after the program and distributed a "treat."

FRIENDS' PROGRAM IS WELL ATTENDED

Delightful time was enjoyed by a large audience, composed of members of the Friends Church, when the annual Christmas program was presented Wednesday evening.

The program consisted of a cantata by the choir and recitations and drills by the primary department.

LOCAL O. E. S. CHAPTER INVITED

Members of Aldora Chapter, No. 262, O. E. S., have received an invitation from Norris Chapter, Springfield, O., to a Christmas Dancing party, December 25 at the Springfield Masonic Temple at 9 p. m.

CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT

A departure from the usual Christmas song service will mark the concert of Xenia Choral Society at the First M. E. Church, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Members of the choral society will render Christmas carols of the various nations. The public is invited.

Miss Helen Fitzsimmons, who is on nursing duty in Cincinnati, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fitzsimmons, Cincinnati Ave.

CHILDREN PRESENT CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Clever recitations and drills by pupils of the primary and junior departments featured the Christmas entertainment at First Reformed church, Wednesday evening. The program was well attended. A "treat" was furnished all present.

An offering was lifted for the Ft. Wayne, Ind., Orphans' Home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Legg, Columbus, O., will spend Christmas with Mrs. Legg's mother and sister, Mrs. J. G. Mitchell and Miss Florence Mitchell, 32 W. Second St.

Miss Dorothy Hester left Thursday evening for London, O., to spend Christmas and the week end with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brusk, Miami, Fla., are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Engelman. W. Main St. Mrs. Brusk was before marriage Miss Rose B. Engelman. Mr. Brusk will return to Miami, the first of the year, Mrs. Brusk remaining for a longer visit.

Mrs. Robert Sphar, S. Detroit St., who has been ill for some time with complication of diseases, remains in a critical condition.

Mr. David Purdom, Toledo, will spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Purdon, N. Galloway St.

Mr. Robert Ralls, who is employed in Toledo, O., will spend the Christmas week end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Leigh M. Nisbet, of Toledo, are spending Christmas with Mr. Nisbet's father, Mr. John Nisbet.

Mr. Charles T. Haas, S. Detroit St., has been transferred to the Signal Department of the Pennsylvania Railroad, at Cincinnati. Mr. and Mrs. Haas will maintain their residence in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Heaton and two children, Columbus, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Graham, Dayton Ave.

Mr. Ralph Nevitte will spend the Christmas week end at his home in Kenton, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Buck, Detroit, Michigan, are spending the holidays with Xenia relatives.

Miss Louise Coffman, Dayton, will be the house guest of Mrs. M. J. Hartley, S. Detroit St., over the Christmas week-end.

Miss Bertha Hyman, E. Market St., is leaving Saturday for Cincinnati to spend the remainder of her holiday vacation with Mr. and Mrs. J. Schwabe, Walnut Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Winter, Fort Wayne, Ind., are spending the holidays with Mrs. F. M. Burrell and family, N. Galloway St., and other local relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Franklin, Cleveland, will arrive in the city Thursday evening to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Franklin's parents, Superintendent and Mrs. D. H. Barnes, Hight St. Mrs. Franklin was formerly Miss Helen Barnes.

Mrs. A. Moser, West Second St., was called to Kenton, Ohio, Tuesday morning on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. A. P. Conant.

Mr. W. C. Rife and son, Paul, Cedarville, left Wednesday night for Anthony, Kan., where they expect to spend the holidays with Mr. Rife's brothers, Messrs. Stephen and Fred Rife.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Grube and daughter, Peggy, Cleveland, O., will spend the Christmas week end with Mr. Grube's parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. Grube, W. Second St.

Mr. and Mrs. William Osterle and two sons, Connellsburg, Pa., are spending Christmas with Mrs. Osterle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fleischer, W. Second Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McDonald left Thursday for Covington, Ky., to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Huston and family, N. Galloway St., have gone to Newcastle, Ind., to spend the Christmas week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Harner and daughter, Jane, will spend Christmas and the week end with relatives in Circleville, O.

THE FIRST CUSTOMER HAD HARDLY ARRIVED WHEN WHO SHOULD APPEAR BEFORE THE WIDOW'S STARTLED EYES BUT UNCLE BIM & A PICTURE OF WEALTH PERSONIFIED - WITH CARLOTTA CLINGING TO HIS ARM AND DEVOURING HIM WITH HER LIMPID GLANCES - DO YOU WONDER THAT HENRIETTA'S POOR, WEAK KNEES GAVE OUT UNDER HER?

I WANT TWO YARDS OF BABY BLUE RIBBON -

THE FIRST RECLINER HAD HARDLY MADE ONE SUPERHUMAN EFFORT TO EARN THAT CHRISTMAS DINNER - LUCKILY THE FIRST STORE SHE APPLIED AT NEEDED EXTRA CLERKS FOR A FEW DAYS - HARDLY ABLE TO STAND, TOTTERING TO HER FEET, SHE TAKES THE POSITION -

THE TELEPHONE RANG - IT WAS UNCLE BIM - HE HAD SLIPPED AND HAD TO BE HELD UP BY THE WAITRESS -

UNCLE BIM NEVER DREAMS IT CARRIES THE UNCONSCIOUS FORM OF THE WOMAN HE ONCE CALLED "HEAVEN-EYES"

CHRISTMAS EVE FINDS CITY READY FOR GREAT DAY AFTER BUYING FEST

Mr. E. R. Bryant will arrive home Thursday night from Dearborn, Mich., where he has been located some time, to spend Christmas and the week end with his family.

Friends of Mrs. George C. Stokes, glad to know she continues to recover from pneumonia at the McClellan Hospital.

Miss Virginia Sellers, W. Church St., is in Marshallville, O., attending the marriage of Miss Ruth Clinton, formerly of Xenia, to Mr. William E. Crites, which took place Thursday. Miss Sellers will remain there over the week end.

Mr. Orlando Spriggs, clerk at the Xenia Postoffice, is confined to his home with an attack of grip.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur C. McCormick, O., will spend Christmas with Mrs. Legg's mother and sister, Mrs. J. G. Mitchell and Miss Florence Mitchell, 32 W. Second St.

EX-PRIZE FIGHTER TO SPEAK AT CHURCH

Joe Precente, 53, former lightweight boxing champion of the world, will appear at the First Baptist Church, this city, the evening of January 17, according to the Rev. R. E. Brown pastor.

Precente was converted a number of years ago and since that time is devoting all his time between boxing engagements, to telling the story of his life. He is a boxing instructor and now filling an engagement at the Y. M. C. A. Dayton.

While merchants are not as a whole in agreeing upon the average type of gifts purchased this year, there exists a consensus of opinion that Christmas buying has been placed on a higher plane than ever, more shopping has been done earlier and increased sales are reported.

Xenia's increased Christmas trade has been brisk but is only an example of similar conditions in cities throughout the country, it is said.

Mr. Average Citizen evidently is more prosperous, has more money to buy, and is spending it more than in previous years.

Merchants believe shoppers are tending more and more, year by year, to the practical rather than the ornamental gifts although there is a big demand for both forms of presents.

The Xenia Post Office has been literally deluged with Christmas packages and letters and the volume of mail being handled is easily greater than the past few years. Postal employees and letter carriers will enjoy a holiday Christmas for the first time in history. No rural or city deliveries will be made and the few employees will be on duty Christmas will work in shifts.

MEMORIAL TREE IS STOLEN FROM YARD

An unknown culprit was so anxious to possess a Christmas tree that he entered the Schweibold garden, Cincinnati Ave., and cut down a small pine tree. The tree was cut down several nights ago.

Owners of the garden regret the loss of the tree since it was planted by a deceased member of their family. It is suspected that a young boy cut the tree down.

FIREMEN CALLED AS SMOKE FILLED HOUSE

Responding to an alarm turned in by a passerby at the residence of W. J. Morris, Leaman Street, Wednesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock, firemen found the house filled with smoke but no fire. No damage resulted.

A zinc tub filled with burning wood, placed in the cellar to thaw out a frozen water meter, resulted in smoke filling the upper floor rooms, attracting attention.

JEWEL ROBBERY IS BELIEVED SOLVED

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 24—James F. Duck was under arrest here today in connection with a \$15,000 jewelry store holdup at LaSalle, Ill., last November.

Duck was arrested by detectives who had received information from LaSalle that Duck would be found in a hotel there. Duck denied the charge. He will be taken to Ottawa, Ill., from here probably tonight.

INFANT DIES

Mary Nelle Barnes, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Barnes, 711 South Chestnut Street, who died soon after birth Tuesday night, was buried in St. Brigid's Cemetery Wednesday afternoon.

THE GUMPS-SHIPS THAT PASS IN THE NIGHT

the underprivileged children of the city takes the front rank in the Yule-tide celebration in Xenia. Some 300 boys and girls will be made happy Christmas by the distribution of presents, toys and candy in the morning.

The brightly decorated Christmas tree is in evidence and children intending to enjoy the Elks' charity are asked to form in a line at East Second and Whitteman Streets at 9 a.m. Xenia Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will distribute appropriate gifts to wards of the County Children's Home and aged people at the County Infirmary, following its annual custom with funds raised at a recent benefit picture show.

Distribution of Christmas gifts will be made Thursday night instead of Christmas morning, it is announced. Members are asked to meet at the Aerie hall at 7 p. m. and all Eagles are urged to make arrangements to go. The party will be accompanied to the county institutions by the Rev. W. H. Tilford, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Wards at the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home will have their annual celebration furnished by welfare organizations, and gifts will be distributed.

Community celebration of some kind will be held in different parts of the county and with the weatherman's gruff hint of possible colder weather and a probability of snow Friday, hopes of a "White Christmas" prevail.

Mr. Roundtree, superintendent of the Middle Run Baptist Church, East End, is making arrangements for the twenty-fifth Christmas entertainment of which he has charge.

Mr. Roundtree has been superintendent of the Middle Run Sunday School for more than thirty years and has supervised the Christmas festivities for at least twenty-five years.

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THEY'LL NEVER GET THE MONEY.

A FORMER American minister to Colombia has deposited \$10 in a bank in that South American country at compound interest, with the provision that 1000 years hence the accumulated sum is to be spent in the best interests of Colombia and the United States.

Barring the unforeseen and the uncertainties of this life, the bank at the expiration of the ten centuries will pay over to an eminent committee \$5,574,523,952, representing the principal and earnings of the \$10 deposit.

About 1780 a Frenchman conceived a similar scheme, placing a small sum in a Paris bank at compound interest and setting a time two hundred years later for its payment to his heirs. The French Revolution chanced along and wiped out billions of potential francs.

Some similar fate will probably fall to the Colombian "bequest." Legal difficulties may interfere. The Colombia bank may fail. The deposit may be forgotten. Any number of things might happen, and many things will happen. One thing only is certain and that is none now living will witness the collection of the money should it survive its period of deposit.

Five quadrillions of dollars is more money than the world possesses, not excluding Germany's paper marks and Russia's paper rubles, which fact causes one to wonder what the two beneficiary nations of the fund would do with the money if they ever get it. Strained diplomatic relations and even war might result from the division of the fund, thus defeating the worthy purpose of the donor.

DANGER IN ILLITERACY.

NO NEED to wonder why the wrong man sometimes gets into public office and why foolish laws so often get on, the statute books to pester and persecute the public when it is revealed that 4,500,000 illiterates are entitled to vote.

An illiterate man or woman—one who can neither read nor write—can not be expected to vote intelligently. The judgment of an illiterate is at the best very bad and people who can not read or write their own language can not be expected to think for themselves nor to form reasonable convictions. They form an irresistible temptation for unscrupulous politicians and are the involuntary tools of mob rule.

The nation can not be proud of such a vast army of illiterate citizens nor can it shut its eyes to the challenge that lies in that army. lax immigration restrictions can not be blamed because 3,000,000 of the illiterate voters are native born.

Great numbers of men and women on every election day ask for aid in making their ballots at the polls. This is necessary if they are to vote for they can read neither the names of the candidates nor the directions for voting. These numbers of assisted voters prove that the illiterate electors are voting, although they are not mentally qualified.

The constitution of the United States grants every citizen the right to vote irrespective of education, race, color or religious creed. No tolerant American would wish otherwise. So there is but one remedy for the menace of the illiterate voter and that is compulsory education for the voters of the present as well as of the future.

A vote by intelligence is nullified by a vote by ignorance.

CALENDAR POSSIBILITY.

IT IS just barely possible that two years hence we shall be closing the last of the 12-month years. In the event that there is not such a consummation we may be preparing to enter on a year with 12 months but a year with four quarters of equal number of days. Both plans are suggested as means for reformation of the calendar. The League of Nations has had a committee at work to bring about a general agreement of the nations to remove the irregular features from the present calendar and the movement is being assisted by interests entirely outside of the League.

Two years hence the year will open on Sunday. That is regarded as a favorable time to inaugurate such an innovation as is proposed. The plan of a year of 13 months of four weeks each has often been advocated and is well understood. The alternative suggested is for retention of the 12 months but to readjust the number of days to the months to make the quarters of equal length. This might be done by making the quarter consist of two months of 30 days each and a third month of 31 days. In either arrangement there would be an extra day in the year to be disposed of.

The forces behind the movement are such as may make headway. The chief obstacle to be overcome, possibly, is the reluctance of mankind to turn from old ways even if the new would be more convenient, once it were established. We may not be called upon to readjust ourselves to a new scheme for measurement of the year by months, yet it is a possibility. It is at least being undertaken seriously.

A mountain peak spills down its side up now,
But there's no end to what the mind can know,
It has not one dimension man can trace.

Though one should add a new thought every day
And pile on wisdom, newer wisdom still,

The caverns of his mind he'd never fill.

Safe for his use 'twould all be stored away,

Ready to serve his purpose and his will,

Nor once o'erflow as rivers must and may.

Just Folks

BY EDGAR A. GUEST

THE MIND

The mind no limitation knows of time or space.

It has no right to reach and over flow.

No boundary past which it cannot go;

One cannot overrule its walls with grace.

For each new bit of wisdom finds its place.

THE WET NURSE



1905-Twenty Years Ago-1925

Mr. Spencer Miller, Columbus, formerly engaged as a barber at Wood and Mullen's, is spending a few days in Xenia.

Mr. George Graham, who has been ill with malarial fever, is out again after having suffered a relapse a week or two ago.

Mr. Charles Hall, student at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor,

arrived in Xenia to spend the holidays.

The annual Christmas entertainment for the Sunday School of Trinity M. E. Church took place Tuesday night.

Ernest Hustmyer, a Xenia boy, will appear in the comedy, "Brown's In Town," which appears at the Opera House Thursday.

Efficient Housekeeping

by Laura A. Kirkman

DECORATING THE CHRISTMAS TABLE TOMORROW'S MENU
Breakfast Cereal Cooked with Dates
Fried Eggs Toast Coffee
Christmas Dinner Celery
Roast Turkey or Chicken
Mashed Potatoes Glazed Onions
Turnip Croquettes Cranberry Jelly
Chiffonade Dressed Lettuce
Plum Pudding Sauce
Mince and Squash Pies
Coffee Nuts Bonbons
Late Supper Lettuce Sandwiches
Fruit Salad
Cookies

Stuffed Celery: Blend together one tablespoon of cream cheese, one teaspoon of ground nut meats and one-half teaspoon of picatelli. Spread this mixture along the groove of a piece of celery, chill, and serve.

Stuffed Dates: Remove stone from dates and fill cavities with the stuffing just given above for Stuffed Celery. Or use plain cream cheese mixed with a little chopped pimento or ground red sweet pepper.

Glace Nuts: Into a saucepan put two cups of granulated sugar, a pinch of cream tartar and one cup of boiling water. Stir, place over moderate heat, bring to boiling point, then continue to boil without stirring till the syrup begins to discolor (if you use a candy thermometer this stage will be reached at 310 degrees Fahrenheit). With a damp cloth, rub off the sugar which clings to the sides of the pan, take pan from range and place it in a large pan containing a little cold water (to stop its boiling).

Remove it from the cold water and place it in another large pan which contains hot water; leave it here while you dip any kind of nuts into it, on the end of a baton. To dip, simply lower the nuts into the syrup a moment, covering them well, then take out and place on oiled paper. Serve when dry and cold.

Glace Fruits: Use the same recipe given above for Glace Nuts, except that instead of the nuts, you may dip grapes, sections of oranges or drained canned cherries. To dip Malaga grape, break it from its bunch, leaving a short stem attached to it, and using pincers to grip this short length of stem while you lower the grape into the syrup.

There are so many appropriate Christmas articles, today, made of paper mache, crepe paper, etcetera, that any housekeeper can group these latest Santa Clauses, paper trees, reindeer, etcetera, in the middle of her dining table effectively.

Tomorrow—Games To Play Today

AUDIENCE ENJOYS
MUSICAL COMEDY

A fair-sized audience saw "Shufflin' Sam from Alabama" colored musical hit, at its one-night performance at the Opera House, Wednesday night. The show was brought to Xenia through arrangements made by the Standard Amusement Company.

The story of "Shufflin' Sam," which is interwoven with some of the latest musical hits and dancing numbers, tells of a ragged colored lad in the cotton fields of Alabama whose ambition in life is to have plenty of good clothes, money and diamonds.

The first scene is apropos opening in the cotton fields where Sam is working as a cotton picker—he saves a few dollars and goes to the big races at Havana where the second act is laid. On a yacht enroute to Havana, Cuba, he is a funny race horse tout; finally he gets lucky and accumulates a fortune—from where he goes to New York and buys the best cabaret in the city.

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CHISTMAS PROGRAM
AT CHURCH SUNDAY

Christmas program "White Gifts for the King" will be presented at the regular Sunday School hour at Second U. P. Church, Sunday morning.

Dr. Clark, Cleveland, will give an address at the 10:30 service on the Near East relief work. He will give a second address at 7 o'clock.

Today's Talks

SLOW STARTERS

You who have watched a race of any kind, know what possibilities often appear latent in the slow starter.

For haven't you been thrilled by seeing that one come in first.

I heard the other day of a business manager who discharged a salesman because he didn't come up to his expectations fast enough. The salesman went to a competitor and made such a good plea for a chance that he was engaged—becoming a star for that firm and taking away a good deal of business from the firm that discharged him.

General Grant graduated at the foot of his class. But he it was who, when at the head of all the Union armies during the American civil war, declared: "I propose to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer." He it was, too, when the surrender of Lee was enacted, handed back to that

gentleman and gallant leader, his sword.

Colonel Nelson didn't start his Kansas City Star until he was 40 years of age—yet when he died, he left it as one of the great institutions of America.

That sweet and beautiful writer, W. H. Hudson, was nearly 70 before the world began to appreciate all that he had suffered in writing and recording the life and habits of the birds and inhabitants of the world of Nature.

It pays to be patient with the slow starter and to encourage him. He may some day replace you.

All great movements for the betterment of the world start slowly. Just a handful of great believers, that's all.

Keep your eye on the slow starter. If you seem one to yourself, just be patient. Study, concentrate—work. The rest will take care of itself.

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BIJOU THEATRE

TONIGHT

His Last Race

With Pauline Starke, Noah Beery, Gladys Brockwell, Robert Mc- Kim, Tully Marshall, Alec B. Francis

Also

FUN FROM THE PRESS

CHRISTMAS MATINEE AND NIGHT

Constance Talmadge LEARNING TO LOVE

FIRST NATIONAL PICTURES

Come On and Laugh!

This is the funniest of the funny ones—all the pep of a real Constance Talmadge show is here with Cupid leading the laughs and Constance playing them for all they're worth. You can't afford to miss it.

SATURDAY—"HE'S A PRINCE"

With RAYMOND GRIFFITH

A side-splitting comedy of royalty and revolutions.

A Three-Fold Blessing

To One and All:

"A Merry Christmas,

A Joyful Holiday Season,

And a New Year Filled With Twelve

Months of Health,

Happiness and Prosperity."

S. & S. Shoe Store

—S. and S. Sells For Less—

CENTRAL TOSERS LOSE THIRD GAME TO SPRINGFIELD HIGH WEDNESDAY

Central High School basketeers wound up the pre-Christmas cage season by losing their third straight game this time to Springfield High School 23 to 25 at Springfield Wednesday night.

As the score indicates, the contest was close the entire distance with the quintets about evenly matched.

Central players were, as in previous games, gripped with a seeming lethargy in the first half but with the same pep and spirit that has characterized their play in other games in the second half, came back to outscore the Reaper City team by four points in the final period.

Central displayed an improved style over last week but Coach Kolb's athletes have yet to really find themselves in basket shooting. Team play is up to the mark but two-thirds of the shots are wasted.

Central has a slow starting team this year it appears, for the first half has been a jinx. Although losing to

FLOWERS DEFEATS M'TIGUE BUT LOSES JUDGES' DECISION

By HENRY L. FARRELL

New York, Dec. 24.—Two of New York's highest sounding boxing judges probably will be placed on the most mistaken decision since the fight game was restored in New York.

Bernard Gimbel, of the big department store and Peter J. Brady, president of the federation bank, called Mike McTigue, former world's light heavyweight champion, the winner over Tiger Flowers after ten rounds before a crowd of 12,000 last night in Rickard's Garden.

The score at the very least was 7 to 3 in favor of Flowers and the walls of the new garden were left standing chiefly because the fans, even those who had bet the other way knew it was an honest error.

McTigue was as stunned as any of the spectators when the announcer called the decision and Jimmy Johnston, his manager, the most volatile man in the business, ducked to the dressing room trying to regain his speech.

Flowers who had been barely out-pointed in only two rounds and even in the third, took the decision like a good sport and shed a broad Southern grin.

The Tiger apparently cared little about the record that will have to go on the book as long as 12,000 first class fight fans knew he had won.

There were a few competent critics who thought the judges were right. First among them was Leo Flinn.

"The referee was to blame" Flinn said. "Flowers should have been disqualified in the fourth round for hitting continually with the open hand and for punching low a half dozen times. McTigue fought cleanly until he saw it was an alley fight."

Flowers, learning almost from the start that McTigue had no punch in his gloves, fought with reckless abandon. He swarmed all over the former champion and used every punch, fair and otherwise that has been known to the game.

The winner was promised a match with Paul Berlenbach, the current champion for February 5th, in the Garden, but it was stated today that Flowers would get the call.

The only bright spot on the program was a 6-round semi-final between Fidel Labarba and Lew Perfetti, New York bantam weight. It was a beautiful thing. Labarba made a tremendous hit with the crowd.

SENATOR FESS WILL BE ADMINISTRATOR

U. S. Senator Simeon D. Fess, Yellow Springs, has been appointed administrator of the estate of Eva Thomas Fess, deceased, late of Miami Township, in Probate Court and has filed bond of \$4,000 which was approved by the court. P. M. Stewart, Frank Currie and Fred Kershner were named appraisers of the estate by the court.

J. C. Marshall has been appointed administrator of the estate of E. F. Snell, deceased, and has filed \$500 bond.

EXECUTOR APPOINTED
Harlan C. West has been appointed executor of the estate of Alberta F. Hopkins, deceased, in Probate Court and has filed bond of \$16,500 which was approved by the court. The court named P. M. Stewart, Frank Currie and Fred Kershner appraisers of the estate.

DIVORCE GRANTED
Mary C. Sheely has been granted a divorce from David S. Sheely in Common Pleas Court on the ground of gross neglect of duty. The plaintiff was given custody of the child, David, and the defendant was enjoined from interference.

ATLAS HOTEL LOBBY IS BEING ENLARGED

Extensive interior remodeling work in the lobby, halls and rooms in the Atlas Hotel is nearing completion, according to Walter Dorrien, new proprietor.

A partition separating the lobby from an adjacent room has been removed, extending the lobby space for purposes of convenience and accommodation.

Carpenter work has been completed in the building and redecorating work and painting is also in its final stages, according to Dorrien.

TOW BOAT BURNED

Gallipolis, O., Dec. 24.—The tow boat John H. Donald, towing coal from the Kanawha river to Cincinnati, burned to the water's edge last night with a \$40,000 loss. The crew reached shore safely.

Chillicothe, Wilmington and Springfield in successive games, Central in each instance outscored its opponents in the second half.

Springfield gained an early advantage and held it throughout the game. The half found the locals trailing by eight points.

The local five staged a determined rally on the closing moments of the contest and threatened for several minutes to overhaul the home team. Trailing 25 to 18, the Blue and White became suddenly accurate with long shots from the middle of the floor and came within an ace of snatching victory from defeat.

Smith played an exceptionally good game for Central, scoring ten points, a majority in the second half and performing well at guard. Clemans, Stearns and Captain Huston also contributed to the scoring.

Central's next game will be at home January 8 against Greenville and the worm may turn. Lineup and summary:

Central (25) Springfield (29)
Finlay RF..... Wiles
Clemens LF.. Montgomery
Stearns C.... Fry (c)
Huston (c) RG..... Smith
Smith LG..... Patterson

Substitutions: Central—Morton for Finlay; Scurry for Huston. Field goals—Central — Smith 5 Clemens 2, Stearns 2, Huston 1. Springfield Wiles 5, Fry 3, Montgomery 2; Patterson 2, Smith 1. Four goals—Central: Huston 2, Scurry 1, Finlay 1, Clemens 1. Springfield: Wiles 2, Patterson 1. Referee, Compton, Wittenberg College.

BOYS BARRED FROM SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Four Englewood High School Boys, Bill Thompson, Charles Richardson, Jack Daniels and James Snyder, are barred for ever as amateurs, for their recent playing with the Milwaukee Professional football team. They were barred by the board of control of public athletics at a meeting last night when 23 of the 24 members voted guilty. The other member did not vote.

EAST END NEWS
Mrs. JAMES HARRIS
Correspondent
TEL. 91-R

Mr. and Mrs. Orange Ellison, Jamestown Pike, left Thursday morning in company with their nephew, Ralph Jones, to spend the holidays with their children in Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gwin, East Third St., are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Marie Louise Stoffer, to Mr. Herbert Walker, Wednesday, December 23. Mr. and Mrs. Stoffer will be at home after January 1 at 1312 Hawthorne Ave., Columbus.

St. John's A. M. E. Church, R. E. Hutchison, pastor. Christmas plays, "The Quest of Christmas" and "The Radio Christmas," will be given by the Sunday School Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Program committee: Mrs. E. S. Hutchison, Mrs. Clara Corbin, Mrs. Anna Morgan, Mrs. Nona Johnson, Miss Jeanie Green. The church is beautifully decorated, by the committee: Mrs. Lucretia Jones, Mrs. Carrie Ward, Mrs. Cora Lewis, Miss Marjorie Bird, Miss Anna Eckles, Miss Nina Carroll and Miss Marie Bolden. Christmas tree committee: Mrs. Ophelia Rogers, Mrs. Victoria Lane, Mrs. Minnie Carroll, Miss Carrie Smith, Mrs. R. J. Watkins.

Sunday services at 10:45 with preaching by the pastor. Sunday School at 12:30, featured by a solo by the Rev. R. E. Hutchison. A. C. E. League at 6:30 with special program. The Rev. Mr. Hutchison will deliver his closing sermon of the year at 7:30 pm.

The Edith Randolph Prayer Circle will hold the devotional service at the First A. M. E. Church Christmas morning at 4:30. At 5 o'clock the pastor, Rev. T. C. Hammons will preach. The public cordially invited.

Mr. Hubbard Robinson, of Hall Street, who has been very ill for the past few weeks, has been removed to the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson, East Main Street.

The Rev. Hutchison and wife, in company with Miss Lucretia Jones attended the funeral of Mrs. Eliza Emery, at Ross Chapel, Jamestown, Wednesday afternoon. Also Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen, Mrs. Hattie Corbin and Mr. M. E. Harris attended. The Rev. T. C. Hammons, pastor of the A. M. E. church, this city, preached the funeral discourse. Eureka Court of Calanthe No. 20, of which she was a member, turned out in a body and held their ritualistic service.

Third Baptist Church, A. M. Howe, Pastor. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, H. W. Gales, Supt. Special exercises by the School. Mrs. A. McClure in charge. 10:45 a.m. worship and sermon by the pastor. 6:30 p.m. B. Y. P. U. Mrs. Elizabeth Simms, president. This service will be in charge of group leader number

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
R. E. Brown, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30. Morning worship, 10:30. Evening service 7. Another Christmas Sunday with Christmas music and sermons. The pastor will preach in the morning on "Jesus, the Fulfillment of Prophecy." At night the subject will be: "The Sunrise of Righteousness." Let us close Christmas week with a day of worship.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Market and King Sts.
Rev. W. H. Tilford, Pastor
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; morning preaching service at 10:30, with special choir music. Pastor's subject, "Happy Old Year." Evening services at 7 with sermon subject: "Spirits of 1926."

CITY COMMISSION MEETS IN AFTERNOON

Regular meeting of City Commission, the final session for the year 1925, was held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock at City Hall instead of the appointed meeting hour Thursday night.

The session was expected to be brief as nothing but closing routine

four. Mr. Wm. Edwards, Watch for program, 7:45 p.m., special Christmas program by the choir. This service will be of unusual interest to all who attend, comprising of readings, solos, duets, quartets, choruses of trained voices, both in and out of the city. All new music. Watch for a more definite program. Come early and get a comfortable seat.

business of the year was to be transacted. The session marked the retirement from public office of Judge H. L. Smith, president of the body, who has served as a commissioner for four years.

SOCIAL AGENCIES TO CARE FOR NEEDY

Cleveland, O., Dec. 24.—Twelve thousand needy Cleveland families will receive Christmas cheer through the combined efforts of the Associated Charities and several other organizations.

Six thousand of the families will be taken care of by the Associated Charities, who will donate baskets of food, clothing, and gifts costing approximately \$10 per family.

The remaining 6,000 families will also receive baskets, but from schools, stores, fraternities, clubs, and a few individuals. Inmates of Cleveland hospitals will also celebrate the Yuletide holiday through the efforts of organizations.

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CAMERA NEWS

Borah Trains on Bridle Paths
for Strenuous Senate Sessions



William E. Borah of Idaho, chairman of senate foreign relations committee, in getting in trim on Washington bridle paths for world court fight. He spends an hour or two in the saddle daily. He is seen in Rock Creek Park on a favorite mount.

Jeritza Feeds Lonely Babies



The famous Metropolitan Opera singer, who gave a benefit for the Loving Arms Day Nursery in New York, where babies are cared for while their mothers work, visited the institution to see the little ones for whom she sang.

College Beauty Wins Vocal Honor



Alice Dowell, known as Wittenberg College's prettiest girl, also is its favorite singer. She has just been elected president of Ohio Girls Intercollegiate Glee club council.

Hiking Defi



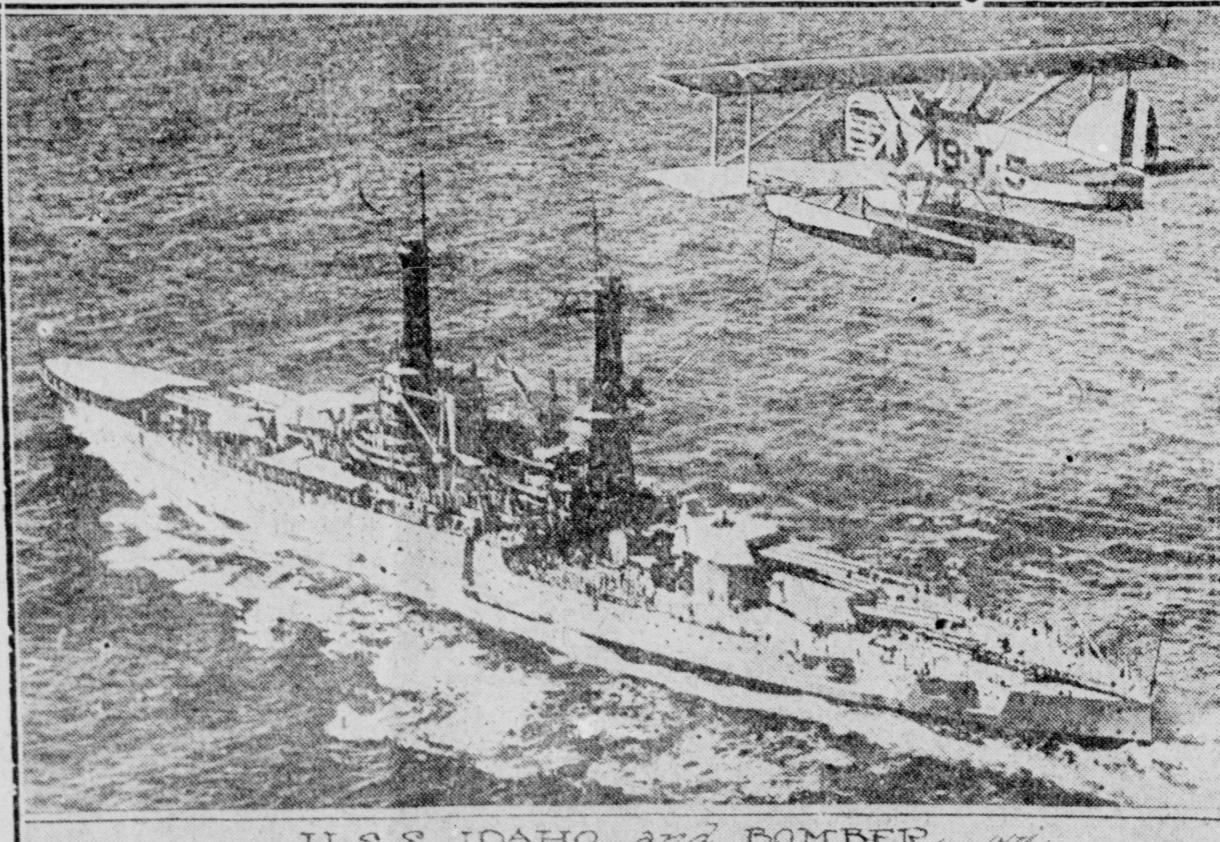
One thousand dollars have been posted by Lillian Connally, of Springfield, Mass., she challenges Eleonora Sears, society athlete, who walked from Providence to Boston, to match her step. "Set the date," said Miss Connally, "and I will toe the mark with you."

Sports Type Coats and Velvet Frocks Hold Favor



The sports type of coat has had much popular appeal this season. The unusual model (left) is made of henna velour collared and cuffed in raccoon with a smart checkered facing. Another pet of the season—the black velvet dinner gown (right) has as its only touch of color a brilliant rose posset at the waist. Upper center is a large hat for southern wear or early spring in a delicate lavender shade faced with flowered georgette crepe and banded with velvet in deep violet color.

Uncle Sam Examines Navy's Eyes



Acting as oculist, a second seaplane snapped the giant bomber and the U. S. S. Idaho as they sped along out at sea, the battlecraft of the air moderating its pace to the warship ploughing through the waves.

Singular Senegalese Slain



Battling Siki, most eccentric of prizefighters, was slain off Broadway, New York, a bullet cutting him down. The Senegalese, a real fighting man, who served in the French army, and later knocked Carpenter out, was the clown of the ring. His antics brought him to the bar of justice many times. He was under orders of deportation when slain.

Busy Winter for Royal Sterk



Additions to the British royal family are expected in the next few months. Lady Louis Mountbatten, whose husband is a nephew of King George and Queen Mary, expects an heir shortly. The Duchess of York is soon to become a mother, and the Princess Mary, who is Viscountess Lascelles, has retired to Newmarket to await the arrival of a little visitor.

Ruth Scores in Charity Drive



The Bambino proved he was there in a pinch when he handed a bunch of yellowbacks to Gertrude Bourque for St. Vincent's Hospital, New York, where the Colossus of Clout has been a frequent guest in his many illnesses.

Actor Accuses Wife in Triangle; Sues After Early Morning Raid



Lionel Atwill (inset), noted actor, is suing his actress wife Elsie Mackay, for a divorce, following an early morning raid on an apartment in which, police say, Mrs. Atwill was found with Max Montesole, her leading man. The actress (above) has not made a statement. She sailed for Europe a few days ago on the same boat as Montesole.

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hundreds rich; confidential reliable;

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The Successful Club." Mrs. Nash,

Box 556 Oakland, California.

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thousands read the classic pages

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len Building. Phone 874-R.

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Manufacturer of the above named

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A Connection will net a live wire

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The man who will be selected must

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Our employees know of this ad.

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NIGHT COOK—wanted. Inquire

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PICTURE FRAMING—let us frame

your pictures for Christmas. Gra-

ham's Paint Store. Whiteman St.

HEMBITCHING—done at Regan's

Embroidery Shop. First door on

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FOR FOOT SPECIALIST—Call 472-W

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WANTED—new yellow ear corn. Call

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Year's to own a car. Here are some

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ston Motor Sales, 109 W. Main St.

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PICTURE FRAMING—let us

JOHN JACKSON DIES SUDDENLY WHEN IN STORE WEDNESDAY

John A. Jackson, 76, near Roxanna, fell dead in the Derrick and Elbeck Grocery, Bellbrook Ave., where he had stopped to make some purchases, Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. C. G. McPherson was immediately called but death was instantaneous. Death was due to a sudden attack of heart trouble from which he has been a sufferer for three years.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson came to Xenia early in the afternoon on a shopping trip and to pay a visit to their daughter, Mrs. John Hubbard.

Mr. Jackson was born near Spring Valley but lived the greater part of his life in Xenia until he moved to the Evans farm near Roxanna three years ago. He was employed by the Hoover and Allison Company for thirteen years until his health failed. He was a member of the Mt. Holly M. E. Church.

Surviving is his second wife, Jessie; one daughter and one son by his first marriage, Mrs. Chame Holton and Edward Jackson, this city; two children by his second marriage, Mrs. John Hubbard and Ernest Jackson, Xenia; one brother, David, Xenia; two sisters, Mrs. John Coffelt, Spring Valley and Mrs. John Hodge, Springfield; twelve grand children and three step-grandchildren. Five children are dead.

The body was taken to the home of his son, Ernest, Charles St., Xenia, where funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be made in Woodland Cemetery.

PRESBYTERIAN HEAD WILL TOUR SOUTH

St. Louis, Dec. 24—Dr. Charles R. Erdman, Princeton, N. J. Moderator of the General Assembly, Presbyterian Church, will spend two weeks during January visiting synods in the South, it was announced here by Dudley M. Clagett, district secretary of the program and field activities.

Dr. Erdman will meet with Synodical Committees and make addresses on his trip, the itinerary of which follows:

January 10, Lexington and Danville, Ky.; January 11, Louisville; January 12, Nashville; January 13, Knoxville; January 14, Corinth, Miss., and Memphis, Tenn.; January 15, Clarksville, Ark.; January 17, Tulsa and Muskogee, Okla.; January 18, Waxahachie and Dallas, Texas; January 19, Fort Worth; January 20, Oklahoma City; January 21, Wichita, Kans.; January 22, Kansas City; January 23, St. Joseph, Mo. and January 24, Kansas City.

MAYOR'S TREE FUND FOR CITY'S KIDDIES

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 24—This city's poor will be taken care of at Christmas time as in past years—by the Mayor's Christmas Tree Fund.

Contributions are solicited to the fund, beginning early in December and the total runs as high as \$35,000 or \$40,000.

A huge Christmas tree in Convention Hall provides children of poor people with toys, candy and the like. The remainder of the money is used to buy clothing, food and fuel for destitute families. These gifts will be distributed tomorrow.

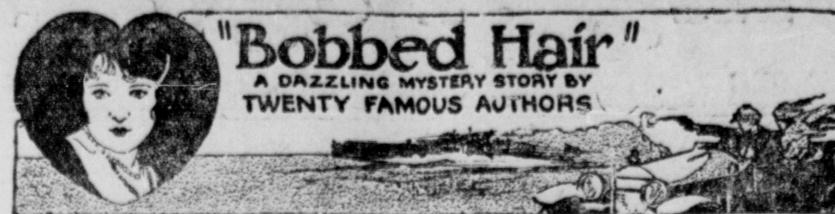
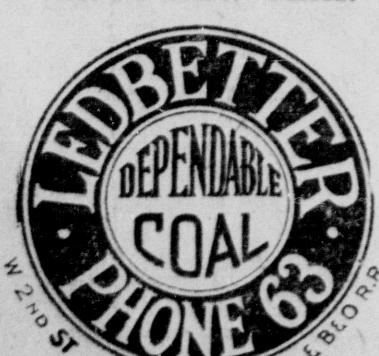
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Persistent coughs and colds lead to serious trouble. You can stop them now with Creomulsion, an emulsified creosote that is pleasant to take. Creomulsion is a new medical discovery with two-fold action; it soothes and heals the inflamed membranes and inhibits germ growth.

Of all known drugs, creosote is recognized by high medical authorities as one of the greatest healing agencies for persistent coughs and colds and other forms of throat troubles. Creomulsion contains, in addition to creosote, other healing elements which soothe and heal the infected membranes and stop the irritation and inflammation, while the creosote goes on to the stomach, is absorbed into the blood, attacks the seat of the trouble and checks the growth of the germs.

Creomulsion is guaranteed satisfactory in the treatment of persistent coughs and colds, bronchial asthma, bronchitis and other forms of respiratory diseases, and is excellent for building up the system after colds or flu. Money refunded if any cough or cold is not relieved after taking according to directions. Ask your druggist. Creomulsion Company, Atlanta, Ga. (adv.)

Warmest Christmas Greetings
USE
Yellow Jacket Coal
FOR A
HAPPY NEW YEAR



CHAPTER XX—Continued

"Just a minute first, please, Aunt Celimena." The note of quiet decisiveness in Connemara's voice focused attention. Palpably, some new sensation was imminent.

As they watched her where she stood beyond the doorway, leading to the porch, with a quick little gesture Connemara threw off the bandage which bound her head. Her hair—her glorious, gilded hair—tumbled down, its well-kept secret revealed at last. Revealed, that is, but partially. For the light was so tantalizingly dim in the shadows, and the moonlight so discreetly pale.

"Ah!" There was triumph in the ejaculation of Bingham Carrington that he rushed to Connemara from one side—the triumph of victory. "Bobbed, by God!" he cried.

Saltonstall Cabot Adams crowded forward on her other hand, seeking the secret's answer as a stray wisps of moonbeam lit the portion of the girl's head that met his anxious eyes. He saw that the lovely hair still reached her shoulder, and beyond. He had won!

"Not bobbed!" cried Salt fervently. "Not bobbed, thank God!"

"Thank fiddlesticks!"

It was Connemara, irreverent, biting. Then all at once she softened. Putting out her arms she took Bing's nearest hand in one of hers, and Salt's in the other.

"Oh, David—"

Connemara's happy, choked little gasp ended incoherently, as Lacy's lips met hers.

"The guy," opined Sweetie judiciously, "is no slouch. Ahh! They're comin' up for air at last!" Saltonstall Cabot Adams coughed. Or it may have been Bingham Carrington—certainly one of the two. A distinctly self-conscious cough.

David Lacy turned toward them, his fiancee on his arm. He held out his hand.

"Won't you congratulate me?" he asked.

"Better than that—congratulate me!" It wasn't her hand which Connemara held out, but her lips. And first Bing, then Salt kissed her. "You dear boys!" she cried. "Please, will you both be our best man—best men, I mean?"

"The wedding," added Lacy, "is this afternoon."

At which point the dour McTish contributed his first mite to the galloping conversation.

"A' verra grrand," he burred, "and my pleasure is to make the first wedding present. Here it is."

From somewhere about him the little Scotsman extracted the pretentious roll of bills Lacy had received from Connemara after the talk with Sweetie in the moonlit sitting room.

"The fifty grand!" exclaimed Sweetie. "Pete's sake, how that can change hands!"

"Bing dear, Salt dear," she said, her voice richly happy. "You're both right, and—she laughed in their puzzled faces—"truly I don't want to be mean, old dears, but—"

She stopped there for a moment, with a little excited intaking of her breath. Then, with a would-be fiance by either hand, she stepped out from the shadows into the full light of the moon. "You see, in a way, you're both right. Also—look—you're both wrong!"

They looked again, and saw. On one side of the hair of Connemara was bobbed. On the other its luxuriant fullness was untouched.

"I told you," Connemara continued, very matter-of-factly, "that if I bobbed it meant Bing; if not, I chose Salt. Well, you see, dear boys, when that blessed barber got started I had a funk and made him stop right in the middle. I just didn't know. Then I had to keep the awful mess hidden. I thought that perhaps by midnight I could make up my mind. And then, all at once, I realized positively that I simply couldn't. That was impossible. Perhaps—" she smiled brightly at the disconsolate men—"perhaps it was because I liked each of you too well to be willing to give him up, even for the other. Anyway, I ducked out. You know what's happened since—this madhouse night we've all had."

"To which that young woman vehemently replied, "Unanimous."

"Them being gone, as I said, it's easiest to forget 'em," McTish continued. "The gang's broken up, an' there'll be a reorganization in the Shanghai Line noo. Anyway, oot o' the roll Lacy can fix up the loss of the Bloody Nuisance and a' the rest o'."

"I knew it right along!" gurgled Connemara ecstatically. "Tear up the child, I have the papers! And to think it could have happened in Connecticut."

"Long Island mostly," corrected Lacy. He added, "and Auteuil."

Her eyes smiled into his.

"Auteuil. I remembered you when I first got in the car. I remember your mother too—charming men have charming mothers, don't they? Connecticut? Auteuil? Everywhere—always!" She sighed dreamily. "The happy ending . . ."

"The happy beginning?"

Whatever reply she may have intended to that final interpolation of his was quite completely crushed from her, as David Lacy drew her to him.

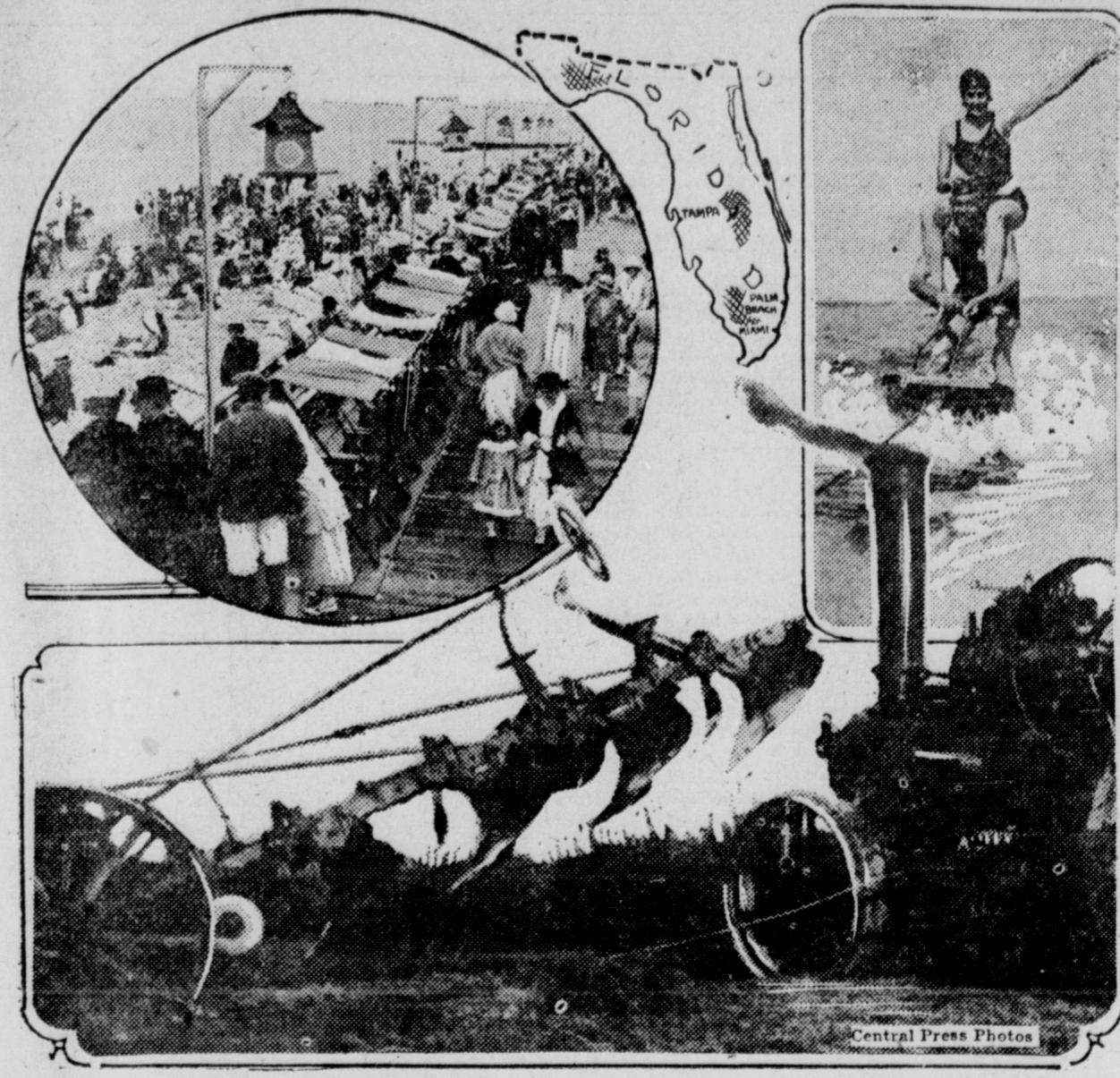
"'Attaboy!" whispered Sweetie to the fragrant night in general. With a regal gesture she herded Saltonstall Cabot Adams and Bingham Carrington toward the hall door.

"Come, youse—this here is a private rehearsal."

"Why, indeed?"

THE END

GAS BUGGIES—Gaze Upon Our Noble Philanthropist



The photos illustrate the two phases of Florida growth, the pleasure resort development and agricultural extension. The lower picture shows machinery at work reclaiming the Everglades for the plow. Cross-lines on the map indicate centers of the new agricultural activity.

Tallahassee, Fla., Dec. 24.—The real development of this state is yet to come. It will begin, Florida's bankers believe, when the gambling subsides and the state's agricultural and industrial resources become the center of attention, rather than the pleasure resorts. They observe that California went through the same process of development.

To far-sighted bankers and business men of the state the activity now manifest on every side, the invasion of the state by speculators from all parts of the country, are the spectacular stages of a movement which is destined to settle down to a steady growth, if a slow one, a genuine development of natural resources as yet scarcely realized even by the majority of residents, and not at all by the army of visitors whose well-night unanimous purpose is to get rich quick by a lucky speculation in land.

These men realize that prices, in many instances have been driven upward by no other agency than the sheer force of competition to points which have discounted any development the future is likely to hold in store for years to come. They deplore the state-wide gamble in land as a movement good neither for those who take part in it nor for the state as a whole.

Outsiders to "Hold the Bag"
Fortunes have been made by some of these speculators, and the tales of their good luck have been broadcast through the land. But virtually every dollar that has been taken out of Florida has been brought there by someone else. Ultimately the amazing profits will be paid by the unlucky final owners who find there is no market for the parcels they purchased at prices far beyond any possible capitalization of the land's earning power.

Farming Develops.

There are the Everglades, the rich-

est agricultural soil in the United States, probably, if means could be found to drain it of the water which annually inundates 5,000,000 acres. And these means have been found. Drainage and pumping are reclaiming land on which an average annual yield from crops worth \$500 is considered assured and on which much larger amounts an acre have been earned. Modern methods of mosquito control have eliminated the dread of malaria and yellow fever.

When The Green Light Flashes

Silver Flash Makes A Dash

A trial will convince you that cold weather motoring is a pleasure when the tank is full of Silver Flash Gasoline.

FOR SALE BY

The Xenia Motor Sales

121 South Detroit St.

Xenia, O.

Other parts of the state where there are large areas of virgin land are witnessing the same activity.

Strenuous efforts are being made to balance Florida's development agriculturally and as a resort with an industrial development at this time.

Even now Florida produces manufactures having a value of more than \$200,000,000 annually and manufacturing can be and is being stimulated by community effort both to bring more manufactures into the state and to intensify the production already there. Lumber and timber, tobacco, cigars and cigarettes, shipbuilding, turpentine and resin—these are the big items of Florida manufacture, although furniture, clothing and potteries are growing industries.

TO BAR PUBLIC FROM CHEMICAL MEETING

Cleveland, O., Dec. 24—The public will be barred from the annual equipment exposition of the American Chemical Society which will convene here May 10 to 15 to further the interests of chemistry.

More than 3,000 delegates from all parts of the country are expected to attend. The chemists may use the displays as laboratories and will require an abundance of room. This is said to be why the public will be barred.

Among the delegates who will attend are heads of industrial plants, engineers, industrial and research chemists, technical educators and students. This will be one of the biggest expositions of its kind ever held in Cleveland.

EAST END NEWS
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THIRD BAPTIST CHURCH

Program, December 27, 1925.
Solo, Instrumental—Mary Young.
Recitation—Lena Garret.
Solo—William Montgomery.
Recitation—Hannah Allen.
Solo—Laura Walker.
Recitation—Mrs. B. L. Harris.
Solo—Hallie May McCormick.
Selection—William Jefferson.
Subject—"No Room," William Ellis.
Group Leader, William Nichols.